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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kenneth P. Wilson

Serial No.: 09/896,439

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For: ROCKET ASSEMBLY ABLATIVE
MATERIALS AND METHOD FOR
INSULATING OR THERMALLY
PROTECTING A ROCKET ASSEMBLY

Confirmation No.: 8247

Examiner: B. Musser

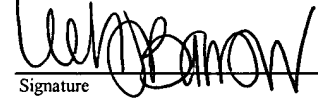
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on March 3, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.